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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated June 19, 2002, Applicants respectfully request the following amendments, and submits remarks for the Examiner's consideration. Applicants amend the application as follows:

Marked-Up Version Showing Changes Made to the Specification

Please replace the fourth paragraph on page 1 with the following:

In order to attempt to resolve these and other difficulties, various mechanisms al have been used. Snap-inSnap-in mechanisms are one such mechanism. Snap-inSnap-in connectors provide convenient operation, allowing for quick and accurate installation. Moreover, a right angle snap-insnap-in connector permits a high board mount density, thus allowing for a number of connectors to be installed in a small area.

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